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Claims 14 and 15 have been amended and are as follows:

13,14? (Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the pharmaceutically acceptable salt is a methanesulfonate salt.

(Amended) The method of claim 1 wherein the optically pure (S,S) reboxetine or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof comprises at least about 90 wt.% of (S,S) reboxetine, and less than about 10 wt.% of (R,R) reboxetine, based on the total weight of the (S,S) and (R,R) reboxetine present.

Claims 32-38 have been canceled, without prejudice.

New claims 63-76 have been added and are as follows:

The method of claim 39 wherein said composition is administered in an amount of about 0.5 to about 8 mg/day.

The method of claim 63 wherein said composition is administered in an amount of about 0.5 to about 5 mg/day.

The method of claim 64° wherein said composition is administered in an amount of about 0.5 to about 2.5 mg/day.

The method of claim 65 wherein said composition is administered in an amount of about 0.5 to about 0.9 mg/day.

The method of claim 66 wherein said composition is administered in an amount of about 0.5 to about 0.8 mg/day.

The method of claim 67 wherein said composition is administered in an amount of about 0.5 to about 0.75 mg/day.

The method of claim 29 wherein said composition is administered orally, topically, parenterally, transdermally, reotally, or vaginally.

The method of claim 69 wherein said composition is orally administered, and further comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier selected from the group consisting of a binder, diluent, lubricant, disintegrating agent, effervescing agent, dyestuff, sweetener, wetting agent, and mixtures thereof.

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The method of claim 70 wherein the oral administration is by a sachet, capsule, tablet, or aerosol spray.

The method of claim 69 wherein said composition is parenterally administered subcutaneously, intraveously, or intramuscularly.

The method of claim 39 wherein the pharmaceutically acceptable salt is a methanesulfonate salt.

The method of claim 39 wherein the optically pure (S,S) reboxetine or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof comprises at least about 90 wt. % of (S,S) reboxetine, and less than about 10 wt. % of (R,R) reboxetine, based on the total weight of the (S,S) and (R,R) reboxetine present.

(S,S) and (R,R) reboxetine present.

The method of claim /4 wherein the optically pure (S,S) reboxetine or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof comprises at least about 97 wt. % of (S,S) reboxetine and less than about 3 wt. % of (R,R) reboxetine, based on the total weight of the (S,S) and (R,R) reboxetine present.

The method of claim 75 wherein the optically pure (S,S) reboxetine or pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof comprises at least about 99 wt. % of (S,S) reboxetine and less than about 1 wt. % of (R,R) reboxetine, based on the total weight of the (S,S) and (R,R) reboxetine present.

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